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1. The harbor at the Czechoslovak shipping base in Szczecin (Stettin) can accommodate deep-sea vessels. Its depth is 15 meters at this point, which may vary 1½ meters each way. The principal cargoes transhipped here are sugar exports from Czechoslovakia, exports of Czechoslovak tractors and imports of Soviet iron ores from Krivoi Rog to Czechoslovakia. In 1954, suction dredges manufactured for the USSR in the Liben shipyards in Prague were assembled in the northern part of the harbor and then handed over to the Soviets.
2. The Soviet expert at this port is Cytowicz (fnu), who works in the shipyards. In summer 1954, he visited the Czechoslovak base in Szczecin to discuss the transfer of two Czechoslovak steamers, the PREROV and the OSTRAVA, to the USSR, where they were to be used on the Volga. They were to sail to the USSR via the Baltic and he wanted to enquire whether they were fit for the journey. These two vessels were finally transferred to the Elbe branch of the Czechoslovak Elbe-Oder Navigation National Enterprise.

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